NOTE ON INSPECTION OF WATER SUPPLY SCHEME IN ANGAMALY CONSTITUTION BY DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, MALAYATTOOR ON 15.12.2021

Kerala Water Authority Perumbavoor Project Director had submitted a proposal in Parivesh portal (FP/KL/Pipe line/41944/2019) for the augmentation of water supply scheme in Angamaly Constituency. The proposed project passes through the areas of Malayattoor forest division and NSC Kalady division. The requested area for the above work under this division was 1.09952 Ha and my predecessor had recommended for the conversion of 0.77238 Ha of forest land. But the user agency has informed that they have mistakenly included some non forest area in the proposal and submitted new list on 23.11.2021. Range forest officer Kalady has inspected the new area and submitted the report on 03.12.2021.As per the report, the total area of forest land required is 0.54208 Ha under this division.

On 15.12.2021, I have inspected the new proposed area. The pipeline is proposed to be laid in side of the road from Illithode to GLSR(0.08855 Ha), Illithode junction to near check post(0.06536 Ha), Vijaya Crusher to Eucaly (0.06624 Ha), Eucaly to Kadukulangara (0.10885 Ha), Eucaly to Pandupara part I (0.08168 Ha), Eucaly to Pandupara part II (0.1314 Ha) comes under Kalady range in Malayattoor forest Division.

As per the details uploaded by the user agency the proposed area comes under the Aluva Taluk in Ernakulam District. The areas proposed do not have any rare endangered/unique species of flora. Moreover, there is no protected/archeological/heritage site/defence establishment located in the area.

Considering the above, it is seen that the Water supply scheme is essential for the local people and the proposed diversion is underground pipeline and in no way a threat to the forest and wildlife. Hence it is recommended to divert 0.54208 ha of forest land for the Augmentation of Water supply scheme in Angamaly constituency by Kerala water authority.

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